

## Proposed Bill No. 22

General Assembly

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LCO No. 141

Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:

SEN. DEFRONZO, 6th Dist.

## AN ACT CONCERNING ELIGIBILITY FOR THE CONNPACE PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That section 17b-492 of the general statutes be amended to permit:
- 2 (1) Married individuals with combined spousal income of twenty-eight
- 3 thousand one hundred dollars or more but less than thirty thousand
- 4 five hundred dollars, who are otherwise eligible to receive ConnPACE
- 5 program benefits, to qualify for reduced ConnPACE program benefits
- 6 in amount equal to seventy-five per cent of the full program benefit; (2)
- 7 married individuals with combined spousal income of thirty thousand
- 8 five hundred dollars or more but less than thirty-three thousand five
- 9 hundred dollars, who are otherwise eligible to receive ConnPACE
- program benefits, to qualify for reduced ConnPACE program benefits
- 11 in amount equal to fifty per cent of the full program benefit; (3)
- 12 unmarried individuals with income of twenty thousand eight hundred
- dollars or more but less than twenty three thousand three hundred
- 14 dollars, who are otherwise eligible to receive ConnPACE program
- 15 benefits, to qualify for reduced ConnPACE program benefits in
- amount equal to seventy-five per cent of the full program benefit; and

- 17 (4) unmarried individuals with income of twenty-three thousand three
- 18 hundred dollars or more but less than twenty-five thousand eight
- 19 hundred dollars, who are otherwise eligible to receive ConnPACE
- 20 program benefits, to qualify for reduced ConnPACE program benefits
- 21 in amount equal to fifty per cent of the full program benefit.

## Statement of Purpose:

To provide for increased enrollment in the ConnPACE program by allowing individuals who otherwise qualify for the program, but whose income exceeds current eligibility standards, to qualify for graduated program benefits.